

# C A M E O<sup>®</sup>

COMPUTER-AIDED MANAGEMENT

## *Student Workbook*

OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

### *Stand-Alone Course*

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## **INTRODUCTION**

## **BASIC COURSE OUTLINE**

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- II. Brief History of CAMEO (8:45-9:15 am)**
- III. Chemical Information Module (9:15-10:00 am)**
- IV. CAMEO Companion Applications, Modules and Menus (10:15-11:00 am)**
- V. Basic Navigation Skills (demonstration and hands-on) (11:00-11:30 am)**
- VI. CAMEO Tools and Toolbar (demonstration and hands-on) (11:30-11:45 am)**
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- XI. Other Modules (3:15-4:30 pm)**

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- IV. CAMEO Query Commands (demonstration and hands-on) (11:00-12:00 pm)**
- V. Searching the Chemical Database and Other Modules (1:00-2:00 pm)**
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- VII. Sharing Menu (3:00-3:45 pm)**

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**VI. Workbook (1:45-2:30 pm)**

**VII. System Administration (2:45-3:30 pm)**

**VIII. Test (3:30-4:30 pm)**

**IX. Questions and Answers (4:30-5:00 pm)**

## **COURSE OF INSTRUCTION**

### **Day One**

#### **I. CAMEO Introduction (8:30-8:45 am)**

Trainers and class introduce themselves. Introduce and explain ‘Little’ vs. ‘Big’ CAMEO. Class members will be encouraged to discuss reasons for using CAMEO and to identify specific problems that CAMEO could be used to address.

Using a series of PowerPoint slides, trainers will explain what each student should be able to accomplish using ‘little’ CAMEO by the end of the course. During this opening session, trainers also will assess class members’ level of awareness/experience with CAMEO as well as MARPLOT™ and ALOHA®.

#### **II. Brief History of CAMEO (8:45-9:15 am)**

Learning objectives: To ensure that the class understands the needs that CAMEO was designed to fulfill and the relationship between CAMEO and MARPLOT, CAMEO and ALOHA, and CAMEO and LandView.

A PowerPoint slideshow will accompany the trainer’s lecture for this session. Topics to be covered:

- Who developed CAMEO and the CAMEO suite of applications
- Why
- Relationship between CAMEO, MARPLOT, ALOHA, and LandView
  - In development
  - In data sharing and compatibility

#### **III. Chemical Information Module (9:15-10:00 am)**

Learning objectives: To understand more fully what information is contained in the Chemical Database and from where it originates.

A PowerPoint slideshow will accompany the trainer’s lecture for this session. Topics to be covered:

- Chemical records (“Codebreaker”)
  - Description of chemical
  - Trade names
  - ID numbers
  - Regulatory information
  - Labeling conventions

- RIDS
  - Description of chemical
  - Fire/health hazards
  - Recommendations for fire/non-fire response
  - Protective clothing for responders
  - First aid information
- Edit/add/remove records
- How the Database is put together
  - Sources of information
  - Ranking of sources
  - Definition of a chemical

**Break (10:00-10:15 am)****IV. CAMEO Companion Applications, Modules, and Menus (10:15-11:00 am)**

Learning objectives: To introduce students to CAMEO menus and modules. Students will be given a broad overview, with explanations, of CAMEO's architecture and capabilities to add structure and perspective to their learning process.

A PowerPoint presentation will be used to introduce students to this subject. Topics to be covered:

- Companion Applications
  - CAMEO
  - MARPLOT
  - ALOHA
- **Chemical Information** - The Chemical Information module displays the detail records from CAMEO's Chemical Database and Response Information Data Sheets (RIDS).
- **Facilities** - Within the Facilities module, you can store information on facilities reporting to a Local Emergency Planning Committee.
- **Chemicals in Inventory/Transit** - The Chemicals in Inventory/Transit module maintains a record of chemical inventories and chemicals in transit at facilities in the community.
- **Storage Locations** - The Storage Locations module is a subset of the information in the Chemical in Inventory/Transit module specifying storage location of chemicals within a facility.
- **Screening and Scenarios** - Within the Screening and Scenarios module, you can perform hazard analysis on accidental releases of locally stored hazardous chemicals.
- **Toxic Release Inventory** - The Toxic Release Inventory module stores information from annual toxic chemical release reports filed by facilities in the area mandated under Section 313 of SARA.
- **Incidents** - The Incidents module stores information on accidental releases of hazardous substances.

- **Contacts** - The Contacts module maintains a directory of names, telephone numbers of people or organizations associated with hazardous materials emergency response or planning.
- **Special Locations** - The Special Locations module emphasizes locations of high-density, confined, or sensitive populations for evacuation in emergency situations.
- **Resources** - The Resources module contains information about groups that may be helpful in an accident involving hazardous materials.
- **Routes** - The Routes module includes information on specific routes used in transport of hazardous materials.
- **Census Data** - The Census Data module is comprised of information collected in the 1990 Census of Population and Housing about people living in all counties of the USA and its territories.

### Menus

- **File** - The File option accesses the various modules, manages the printer and exits CAMEO.
- **Edit** - The Edit option performs basic editing.
- **View** - The View option allows the user to view information in several fashions.
- **Record** - The Record option access various detail records and functions in the opened module.
- **Utilities** - The Utilities option accesses system administration functions you may not use everyday. These functions include linking chemicals, running a hook, or importing and exporting data. These functions are more advanced and will not be explained in this course.
- **Window** - The Window option allows you to perform standard Windows manipulation to better view the information.
- **Help** - With the Help option, you can retrieve information about the modules, menus, or installing CAMEO.
- **Sharing** - The Sharing option accesses ALOHA, MARPLOT, and CAMEO's Site View Planner.

**Site Plan Viewer** - CAMEO's Site Plan Viewer is a tool for organizing pictures of floor plans of facilities and special locations. You can also link these floor plans to CAMEO's Facilities module to help responders in times of emergency.

### V. Basic Navigation Skills (demonstration and hands-on) (11:00-11:30 pm)

Learning objectives: To train students in basic skills for navigating CAMEO menus and modules. Students also will be introduced to the concept of links and how to use these for navigating. In combination, these elements will provide students with a fundamental understanding of the relationship between CAMEO menus and modules.

The trainer will demonstrate basic skills for navigating CAMEO menus and modules, as well as use of links for navigating. Students will follow along, using the application. Topics to be covered:

- Beginning Navigation Skills
  - The Browse Window

- The Detail Window

- Show Links
- Relationship between menus and modules

## **VI. CAMEO Tools and Toolbar (demonstration and hands-on) (11:30-11:45 pm)**

Learning objectives: Having learned about CAMEO's architecture and how to navigate within it, students will be introduced to the 18 tools and associated toolbar that accompany CAMEO. Students will learn how to activate these tools as they work with the trainer through this section.

The trainer will explain and demonstrate CAMEO tools and toolbar functions. Students will follow along, using the application.

- 18 CAMEO tools
- Toolbar, with corresponding icons

## **VII. Basic Data Entry Skills (demonstration and hands-on) (11:45-12:15 pm)**

Learning objectives: Finally, students will be trained in basic data entry skills for CAMEO. This session completes preparatory training for CAMEO — encompassing program history, architecture, capabilities, and navigation — and ensures a common foundation to support more sophisticated training during the remainder of the course.

The trainer will demonstrate basic skills for entering data into CAMEO. Students will follow along, using the application. Topics to be covered:

- Data Entry
  - Basic Entry (Add, Edit, Delete)
  - Pop up lists
  - Scrolling lists
  - Shortcuts
- The Tier II Form

## **Lunch (12:15-1:15 pm)**

## **VIII. Chemical Information Module (demonstration and hands-on) (1:15-2:00 pm)**

Learning objectives: To provide students more comprehensive instruction on the kinds of information stored in the CAMEO Chemical Information module, how the module works, and how the information can be used and operated upon. Actual scenarios will be used to illustrate the importance of accurate interpretation. Students will learn hands-on how to access and perform operations on this information. This session builds upon the morning (preparatory) lecture on CAMEO modules.



- Instructor Demonstrates Use of Database
- Quick Query
- Instructor Examples
- Student Exercises

### **IX Facilities Module (2:00 - 2:15 pm)**

Learning objectives: The trainer will discuss the kinds of information stored in CAMEO's Facilities module, as well as where to find and access the information.

### **Break (2:15 - 2:30 pm)**

### **X. Chemicals in Inventory/Transit Module (demonstration and hands-on) (2:30-3:15 pm)**

Learning objectives: To provide students more comprehensive instruction on the kinds of information stored in the CAMEO Chemicals in Inventory/Transit module, how the module works, and how the information can be used and operated upon. Students will learn hands-on how to access and perform operations on this information. This session builds upon the morning (preparatory) lecture on CAMEO modules.

The trainer will discuss, in greater detail, the kinds of information stored in CAMEO's Chemicals in Inventory/Transit module, as well as where to find and access the information. Students will follow, using the application. The trainer will guide students through examples of basic operations (e.g., add, edit, remove, search) on the data using skills learned during the morning session. Finally, the trainer will guide students through a sample query to illustrate a practical exercise using this information. Topics to be covered include:

- Records - List of chemicals stored at a facility
  - Storage amounts
  - Storage locations
  - Chemical hazards
- Edit/add/remove records
- Search
- Facility query
  - List all chemicals stored at a facility

### **XI. Other Modules (3:15-4:30 pm)**

Learning objectives: To provide students more comprehensive instruction on the kinds of information stored in other CAMEO modules, how the modules work, and how the information can be used and operated upon. The modules will be covered in various levels of detail. Students will learn hands-on how to access and perform operations on this information. This session builds upon the morning (preparatory) lecture on CAMEO modules.

The trainer will discuss, in greater detail, the kinds of information contained in other CAMEO modules, as well as where to find and access the information. Topics to be covered include:

- Storage Locations
- Screening and Scenarios
- TRI
- Incidents
- Contacts
- Special Locations
- Resources
- Routes
- Census data

## **Day Two**

### **I. Refresher (8:30 - 9:00 am)**

The trainer will review key concepts taught during the previous day and any issues identified during the hands-on exercise session at the end of Day One. The trainer will allow time to answer any questions that the class may have before proceeding with Day Two agenda.

### **II. Site Plan Viewer (demonstration and hands-on) (9:00-10:00 am)**

Learning objective: To instruct students on how to link information from Chemical Information, Facilities, Chemicals in Inventory/Transit, and other CAMEO modules to electronic maps for viewing.

Based on an existing drawing(s), the trainer will demonstrate how to create links and access and view a facility site plan using Site Plan Viewer. Students will follow, using the application. Topics covered:

- Creating a site plan drawing
- Link/Unlink information
- Link/Unlink symbols
- Example based on existing drawing

### **Break (10:00-10:15 am)**

### **III. Hands-on Exercises (10:15-11:00 am)**

Learning objectives: To “test” the class on their mastery of skills already learned and new viewing skills, and to allow class members to work together to apply the lessons learned to

actual, simple problems likely to be encountered.

Class members will work together in small groups (2-4 people) to answer the exercises, which will be based upon existing case studies compiled by EPA/CEPPO. One-half hour will be allowed for the class to go through the exercises (with assistance from the trainer(s), where necessary), with an additional 15 minutes allowed for discussion of the answers and any additional questions the class may have.

### **IV. CAMEO Query Commands (demonstration and hands-on) (11:00-12:00 pm)**

Learning objectives: To show students how to build queries and use query options in CAMEO. At the end of this session, students will be given an opportunity to browse query commands and collectively test their comprehension through sample queries.

The trainer will demonstrate how to build queries and use query options in CAMEO while students follow along on their computers. Subsequently, the trainer will demonstrate sample queries. Significant class participation is expected during this session. Topics to be covered:

- Creating a new query
  - Query List Manager
  - Query Overview
  - Selecting query fields
  - Specifying conditions
- Modifying query
- Running an existing query
- Output options
  - Report
  - Database
  - Mail merge
  - Text file
  - Spreadsheet
- Sample queries

### **Lunch (12:00-1:00 pm)**

### **V. Searching the Chemical Database and Other Modules (1:00-2:00 pm)**

Learning Objectives: To access information in each CAMEO module, use a saved query, Access CAMEO's Tier II form, and enter data into CAMEO's Tier II form.

The class will follow along on their computers while the trainer demonstrates. This session will be problem-oriented, with significant class participation expected. Topics to be covered:

- Review basic navigation skills
  - The Browse Windows
  - The File menu item
  - The Set Filter menu item
- The Query menu item
  - Query rules
  - Working with a saved Query
  - Setting up a new query #1
- Chemical Inventory for Chlorine
  - Setting up a new query #2
- Upcoming CAMEO Today
- Inherent Problem in Query (User Fields)
  - Setting up a new query #3
- The Tier II Form
  - Background
  - Viewing
  - Adding information
- Tier II Form data in CAMEO

## **VI. Hands-on Exercises - Query (2:00-2:45 pm)**

Learning objectives: To give the class an opportunity to test their comprehension of query skills, and to allow class members to work together to apply the lessons learned to actual, simple problems likely to be encountered.

Class members will work together in small groups (2-4 people) to answer the exercises, which will be based upon existing case studies compiled by EPA/CEPPO. One-half hour will be allowed for the class to go through the exercises (with assistance from the trainer(s), where necessary), with an additional 15 minutes allowed for discussion of the answers and any additional questions the class may have.

## **Break (2:45-3:00 pm)**

## **VII. Sharing Menu (3:00-3:45 pm)**

Learning objectives: To ensure that the class understands how CAMEO can be used to interact with other software applications in the CAMEO suite. The purpose of this demonstration is not to show the class how to perform a wide variety of steps in CAMEO but rather to ensure that they understand the capabilities of the CAMEO sharing menu and its interaction with MARPLOT and ALOHA (with an emphasis on MARPLOT). Interactions with LandView and Site Plan Viewer also may be discussed.

Students will follow along at their computers, while the trainer demonstrates the subject matter. Topics to be covered:

- Linking with MARPLOT (via Census layer)
- Linking with ALOHA
- Other

### **Day Three**

#### **I. Refresher (8:30-9:00 am)**

The trainer will review key concepts taught during the previous day(s) and any issues identified during Day One and/or Two. The trainer will allow time to answer any questions that the class may have before proceeding with Day Three agenda.

#### **II. Hazards Analysis (9:00-10:00 am)**

Learning Objectives: To explain legislative background. To explain the purpose and benefits of hazards analysis and identify the steps in conducting a hazards analysis. Students will understand the difference between the initial evaluation phase and the re-evaluation phase of the hazards analysis.

Students will follow along at their computers, while the trainer demonstrates the subject matter. Topics to be covered:

- Questions responders and planners encounter
  - Which hazards should be addressed first?
  - Are existing emergency plans adequate?
  - Are the response capabilities adequate?
- Introduction to Legislative Background
- Identifying and setting hazard priorities
  - Identification methods
  - Prioritization factors
- The hazards analysis process
  - Why hazards analysis
  - Hazards identification
  - Vulnerability analysis
  - Risk analysis
- The initial evaluation
  - Worst case assumptions
  - Establishing priorities
- The re-evaluation
  - Credible worst case assumptions
  - Risk ranking

#### **Break (10:00-10:15 am)**

### **III. Hazards Analysis and CAMEO (demonstration and hands-on) (10:15-11:15 am)**

Learning Objectives: To review the chemical database inputs to hazards analysis, understand how to perform a screening and scenario calculation and plot out the output using MARPLOT

Students will follow along at their computers, while the trainer demonstrates the subject matter.

Topics to be covered:

- Chemical database
  - Where information is located
  - What information is available
  - How to modify or add to the data
- Screening and Scenarios module
  - What is the difference between screening and scenario
  - Creating new records
  - Selecting chemicals
  - Reviewing stack components
- Calculations
  - Credible worst case accident
  - Evaluation of other scenarios
  - How is this different from ALOHA
- Plotting
  - Linking to map location
  - Locked map layer
  - Deleting/Hiding plumes
- So now what do I do...

### **Lunch (12:00-1:00 pm)**

### **IV. Advanced Functions in CAMEO (1:00-1:45 pm)**

Learning objectives: To show the class more advanced functions available in CAMEO. These functions include developing and printing reports and navigating in CAMEO using the Windows menu.

### **Break (1:45-2:00 pm)**

### **V. System Administration (2:00-3:00 pm)**

Learning Objectives: To introduce students to basic system administration and management concepts and understand the importance of good system management, how to list and describe the seven elements of good system management, and the seven elements as they apply to specific pieces of CAMEO.

A PowerPoint slideshow will accompany the trainer's lecture for this session. Topics to be covered

- The seven (eight) elements of good system administration
  - Planning
  - Building
  - Using
  - Managing
  - Maintaining
  - Training
  - Reviewing
  - Researching
- Relating the seven elements to specific pieces of CAMEO
  - Hardware and software requirements
    - Looking to the future
  - Using MARPLOT and CAMEO
  - Administration functions
- Evaluating use

### **VI. Test (3:00-4:30 pm)**

Learning objectives: To give the class the opportunity to test themselves on their comprehension of both the more advanced CAMEO skills and the basic skills learned Day One and Two.

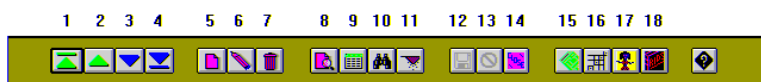
Class members will work together in small groups (2-4 people) to answer the exercises, which will be based on those provided by EPA/CEPPO. Forty-five minutes will be allowed for the class to complete the exercises (with assistance from trainer(s), where necessary), with an additional fifteen minutes allowed for discussion of the answers and any additional questions the class may have.

### **IX. Questions and Answers (4:30-5:00 pm)**

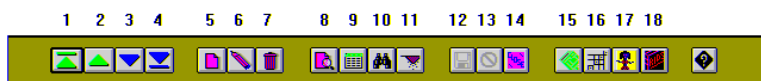
A final opportunity for students to ask any questions about the material covered or about potential problems or applications of CAMEO.

## QUICK REFERENCE

## CAMEO Toolbar

 •First Detail Record •Previous Detail Record •Next Detail Record •Last Detail Record

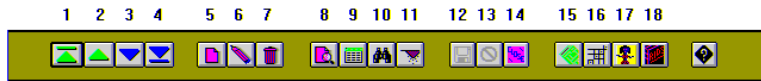
## CAMEO Toolbar (cont.)


 •Add •Edit •Delete •Find •Browse



## CAMEO Toolbar (cont.)

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 •Query

 •Find All

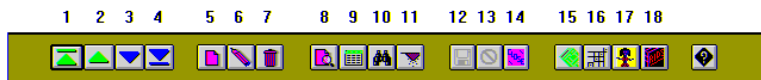
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## CAMEO Toolbar (cont.)

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 •Site Plan Viewer

 •MARPLOT

 •ALOHA

 •RIDS

 •Help

## SOME COURSE MATERIALS

# CAMEO<sup>®</sup> 3-Day Training Course

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Computer-Aided Management of  
Emergency Operations

## Course Overview

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- Learn basic concepts and functions of the CAMEO system
- Provide demonstration of query commands and overview of CAMEO's interaction with other programs
- Learn how to perform a hazards analysis and cover some advanced concepts

## Objectives

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- At the end of the CAMEO introductory course, you should be able to:
  - » Comfortably maneuver around CAMEO
  - » Use the chemical database and be familiar with CAMEO's modules
  - » Perform a hazards analysis
  - » Understand relationship between CAMEO and other software applications

## What is CAMEO?

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- CAMEO is computer software primarily used:
  - » For chemical emergency planning
  - » For chemical response; and
  - » For regulatory compliance (e.g., SARA Title III (EPCRA), OPA 90, RCRA)

## CAMEO Components

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- The overall CAMEO system is a suite of three separate, integrated software applications:

- » CAMEO



- » MARPLOT™



- » ALOHA®



## CAMEO Answers Questions

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- What hazards are at this site?
- Where is the hazard located?
- What is the chemical?
- What specific hazard(s) does it present?
- How can the hazard be mitigated?

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## Brief History of CAMEO's Development

### Who developed CAMEO?

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- Developed by:



- » EPA's Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Office



- » NOAA's Hazardous Materials Response and Assessment Division

- In collaboration with



- » U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of the Census



- » U.S. Coast Guard

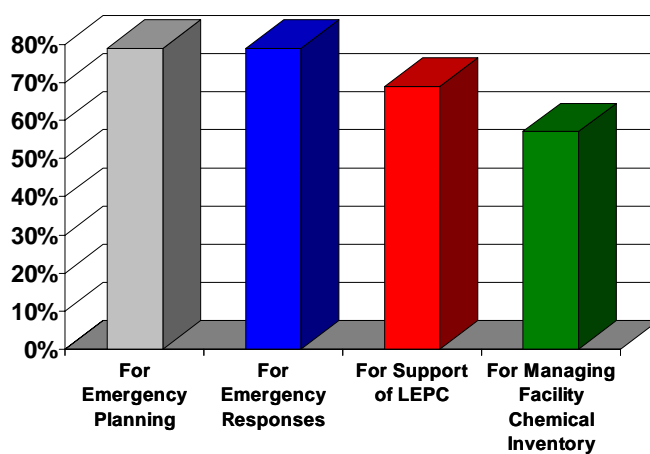
## CAMEO was developed for:

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- SERCs, TERCs, and LEPCs
- Emergency responders
- Emergency planners
- Chemical facilities

## Major Uses of CAMEO

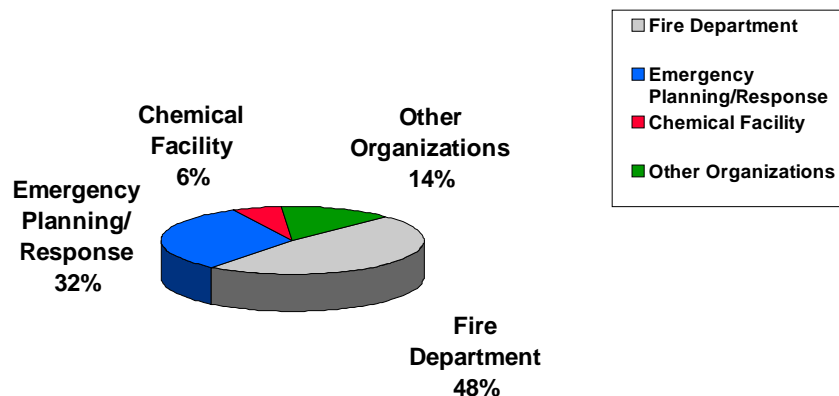
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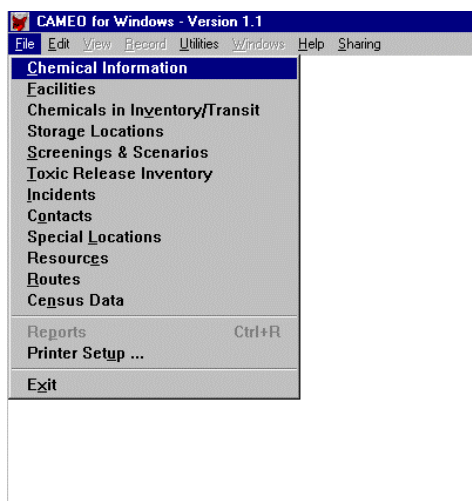
## Type of Organization Using CAMEO

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## Navigating CAMEO

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## STUDENT PROBLEM SETS

### Problem Set 1

1. What chemical is also known as dichloromethane (a commonly used synonym)?
2. If you are searching for a chemical and the only information you have is the following UN number, 1701, where should you begin?
3. What is the common name of this chemical?
4. How many chemicals in the database require the DOT label, "Spontaneously Combustible"?
5. What is the "Flash Point" for ethylene glycol?
6. What would be the most appropriate protective clothing to wear when responding to a release of sulfuric acid?
7. How many facilities are located in Haymarket?
8. What facility is listed as having Toxic Release information?
9. How many chemicals start with the letter "S" and are Extremely Hazardous Substances?
10. Looking at the list from the previous question, can you find out what the DOT label for sodium selenite says?

### Data Entry Exercise

In this exercise you will update the Facility Contact information for the Green Valley Water Facility. Imagine that you are an LEPC and you have received a telephone call from the Human Resources department at the Green Valley Water Facility. Green Valley has a new Senior Plant Manager and they wanted to make sure that you had the most current contact information. You need to include this new information in your records for the Green Valley Facility. You have been given the following information:

**Name:** Wong, Angela  
**Organization:** Green Valley Water Facility  
**Title:** Senior Plant Manager  
**Work Phone:** (703) 232-5547  
**Beeper:** (703) 232-7554



You receive a call from Angela Wong, she reports that Green Valley just received a new shipment of chlorine. You need to update your records for the Chemicals in Inventory at the Green Valley Facility. You have been given the following information:

<b>Chemical:</b>	Chlorine
<b>Amount:</b>	(5) 150# cylinders
<b>Storage Location:</b>	Water House
<b>Other:</b>	Pure, gas, greater than ambient pressure, reactive, acute, normal ambient temperature

## Problem Set 2

1. How many chemicals begin with the formula  $C_6H_6$  and are not listed as an EHS?<sup>1</sup> The Quick Chemical and the Query menu items can be used to answer the question. However, please use the Quick Chemicals menu item in the View Menu and write down the number of chemicals found in the search.
2. To highlight the differences with the Quick Chemicals menu item and the Query menu item, please answer the previous question using a query. Note: Make sure to clear the subset of information you have filtered using Quick Chemicals, but do not clear the query once you have finished with this question.
3. Comparing searches done using both the Quick Chemicals menu item and the Query menu item demonstrate significant differences in results. The difference in results can be attributed to the inclusion of synonyms. The Query menu item includes synonyms for the filtered chemical unlike the Quick Chemical menu item. Therefore, how many different chemicals are there when closely examining the query results in Question 3? Hint: You may want to edit the Record Filter in the Query Overview dialog box to obtain the preferred name for each chemical.
4. In this exercise you will manipulate the chemical database to determine the appropriate emergency information. Imagine that you are an LEPC and have received a telephone call from a local firefighter. An accident occurred in which a truck spilled an unknown chemical. Fortunately the first responder was able to determine from a torn label that the CAS Number ended in "00-0" and the chemical name contained the letters "mal." What is the chemical and the appropriate first aid if a victim contacts the chemical.

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<sup>1</sup> Chemicals that are not listed as Extremely Hazardous Substances are distinguished by an "F" for false.

### **Problem Set 3**

1. You are dispatched to a traffic accident involving 2 trucks that is reported without injury. You have been dispatched for hazard control only.

As you arrive, you find a home heating oil tanker with a 8 gallon per minute leak and a tractor pulling a 40' box trailer with "Overnight" in large blue and white letters painted on 3 sides. There are about 30 bystanders milling about the wreckage and a schoolyard full of children across the street on recess.

The box trailer has split open and approximately 100 red, white, and blue cardboard drums have spilled out with 12 of the drums damaged and split open. There is a dry, white powder scattered over about a 300 square foot area. The name printed on the box is "Solvox".

Identify the substance and determine the course of action you will take.

2. You are dispatched to a 4 story laboratory complex that employs approximately 500 persons, for an undefined type of "spill".

The temperature is 68 degrees, winds are light and variable and it is a sunny day with few clouds in the sky.

On arrival, you are met by one of the lab techs who leads you to a second floor lab where a 1 gallon container has been knocked from a lab bench. The lab tech cannot identify the material in the bottle as it his first day on the job.

Your recon crew reports that 1 gallon of an unknown liquid is on the floor along with a quantity of a yellow crystalline material. The label on the container contains the following information: "Melnite CL 10305". There is a red and white sticker on the bottle, but because of the damage, it is not readable.

The lab hood is operating and the liquid substance appears to be evaporating.

Identify the substance and determine the course of action you will take.

3. You are on a "fire prevention detail" in the area of the Maryland Gate Picnic Area and hear a horrendous grinding noise and crash. You observe a large cloud of dust and dirt in the vicinity of the railroad tracks. You go to investigate and find that a freight train has derailed. There is no fire.

You radio the situation into Aberdeen Control and the dispatcher sends an Engine along with the duty Assistant Chief.

When your units arrive, you go toward the area of the train's engine and meet the crew, visibly shaken and injured. The engineer hands you the train's consist and falls unconscious. You call for medical assistance - it arrives - and you begin to survey the damaged rail cars for any hazards.

During your inspection, you find a tank car with a leak caused by the coupler of another rail car that has punctured it. The number "NATX 4906225" is stenciled on the side of the rail car.

You check the railroad consist, and all that you can find is a single number associated with that particular rail car. It is: "MU7175000".

Identify the substance and determine the course of action you will take.

## **ANSWERS TO STUDENT PROBLEM SETS**

### **Answers to Problem Set 1**

1. Answer: methylene chloride
2. Answer: Search for the number in the UN# field.
3. Answer: vinyl chloride
4. Answer: 46 chemicals in the database require the DOT label, "Spontaneously Combustible."
5. Answer: 232 degrees Fahrenheit.
6. Answer: For emergency situations, wear a positive pressure, pressure-demand, full facepiece self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or pressure-demand supplied air respirator with escape SCBA and a fully-encapsulating chemical resistant suit.
7. Answer: 3 facilities are located in Haymarket.
8. Answer: Green Valley Water Facility.
9. Answer: 27
10. Answer: Poison

### Data Entry Exercise

Answer: N/A

## Instructions and answers to Problem Set 2

1. Answer: 18

Steps to follow:

- a) Access the Chemical Information browse window.
- b) Go to the View menu and click on Quick Chemicals.
- c) In the field for Formula and EHS, type, " $C_6H_6$ " and "N," respectively.
- d) Click on the Run button to begin the search.
- e) In the lower left-hand corner of the screen, CAMEO provides the number of records queried.
- f) To exit the Quick Chemicals Filter, click on Clear Quick Chemicals in the View Menu.

2. Answer: 541

Steps to follow:

- a) Access the Chemical Information browse window.
- b) Go to the View menu and click on Query.
- c) Because no previous queries will answer this question, you will need to create a new query.
- d) Click the Add button in the Query List Manager. Once you have given your new query a name, you will be asked to complete a number of steps.
- e) In Step 1, pick a field by locating Formula and pressing Enter.
- f) In Step 2, pick "Begins with or matches" as the pick operator and press Enter.
- g) In Step 3, enter the comparison value as " $C_6H_6$ " and click on OK.
- h) Again click on OK to exit and save changes.
- i) You will now have to add another condition to obtain only the chemicals with a formula of  $C_6H_6$  and a false EHS determination. Click on Add in the Filter Building dialog box.
- j) You will be asked to select a connector. Click on And to specify that both this condition and the prior condition must be true.
- k) Repeat Step 1 accordingly by clicking on EHS Chemical.
- l) In Step 2, pick "Is false" as the pick operator and press Enter.
- m) Once satisfied with your query, click on OK to exit and save changes.
- n) Again click on OK in the Filter Building dialog box to return to the Query List Manager.
- o) To access the query, click Select in the Query List Manager.
- p) Click OK on the instruction window to proceed to the Select Fields To Show In Query dialog box.
- q) Query Maker will present the Select Fields To Show In Query dialog box. For this example, select Chemical Name, CAS #, Formula, and EHS Chemical. Press OK at the bottom of the window to proceed to the Query Overview dialog box.
- r) If satisfied with the record filter, click Run Query.
- s) In the lower left-hand corner of the screen, CAMEO provides the number of records queried.

3. Answer: 18

Steps to follow:

- a) *It can be determined that there are only 18 actual chemicals within the subset by scrolling down the filtered list of chemicals and counting the number of different CAS Numbers.*
- b) *Alternatively, press Escape on your keyboard to proceed to the Output Query? window.*
- c) *Because you do not wish to continue the query after having viewed the results, click No to return to the Query Overview dialog box.*
- d) *To condense the previous query to include only the preferred name for each chemical, click Edit Record Filter to proceed to the Filter Building dialog box.*
- e) *Highlight the condition that states, "EHS Chemical is false" and click Add.*
- f) *You will be asked to select a connector. Click on And to specify that both this condition and the prior condition must be true.*
- g) *You will have to add another condition to obtain only the chemicals with a preferred name of "C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>" and a false EHS determination.*
- h) *In Step 1, pick a field by locating "Is Chemical Preferred?" and pressing Enter.*
- i) *In Step 2, pick "Is true" as the pick operator and press Enter.*
- j) *Click on OK to exit and save changes.*
- k) *Again click on OK in the Filter Building dialog box to return to the Query Overview dialog box.*
- l) *If satisfied with the record filter, click Run Query.*
- m) *In the lower left-hand corner of the screen, CAMEO provides the number of records queried.*
- n) *To exit the Query Filter, click on Clear Query in the View Menu.*

4. Answer: Formaldehyde. A responder should move any victim to fresh air and call emergency medical care. If a victim contacts the chemical on their clothing, the contaminated clothing and shoes should be removed and isolated; whereas points of contact with the body should be immediately flushed with running water for at least 15 minutes.

Steps to follow:

- a) *Access the Chemical Information browse window*
- b) *Go to the View menu and click on Query.*
- c) *Because no previous queries could answer this question, you will need to create a new query.*
- d) *Click the Add button in the Query List Manager. Once you have given your new query a name, you will be asked to complete a number of steps.*
- e) *In Step 1, pick a field by locating CAS # and pressing Enter.*
- f) *In Step 2, pick "Ends with" as the pick operator and press Enter.*
- g) *In Step 3, enter the comparison value as "00-0" and click on OK.*
- h) *Again click on OK to exit and save changes.*
- i) *You will have to add a condition to obtain only the chemicals with a CAS Number of "00-0." Click on Add in the Filter Building dialog box.*
- j) *You will be asked to select a connector. Click on And to specify that both this condition and the prior condition must be true.*
- k) *In Step 1, pick a field by locating CAS # and pressing Enter.*
- l) *In Step 2, pick "Is not an empty field" as the pick operator and press Enter.*

- m) Click on *OK* to exit and save changes.
- n) You will have to add another condition to obtain only the chemicals with a CAS Number of “00-0” and a chemical name that contains “mal.” Click on *Add* in the *Filter Building* dialog box.
- o) You will again be asked to select a connector. Click on *And* to specify that this condition and the two previous conditions must be true.
- p) In Step 1, pick a field by locating chemical name and clicking *Enter*.
- q) In Step 2, pick “Contains text” as the pick operator and press *Enter*.
- r) In Step 3, enter the comparison value as “mal” and click on *OK*.
- s) Click on *OK* to exit and save changes.
- t) Again click on *OK* to return to the *Query List Manager*.
- u) Highlight the appropriate query and click *Select* in the *Query List Manager*.
- v) Click *OK* on the instruction window to proceed to the *Select Fields To Show In Query* dialog box.
- w) *Query Maker* will present the *Select Fields To Show In Query* dialog box. For this example, select *Chemical Name*, *CAS #*, *Ambient State*, *NFPA Fire*, *NFPA Hazard*, and *NFPA Reactive*. Press *OK* at the bottom of the window to proceed to the *Query Overview* dialog box.
- x) If satisfied with the record filter, click *Run Query*.
- y) Once CAMEO has finished searching, click on the first record for “Formaldehyde” to enter the detailed chemical information window.
- z) Click on the *RIDS* button to view the *Response Information Data Sheet* for formaldehyde.
- aa) Click on the button for *First Aid* to obtain the appropriate information.